THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (e) Surat airport belongs to the Government of Gujarat. The State Government have approached this Ministry on more than one occasoin for taking over of Surat airport by the National Airports Authority (NAA). Due to financial constraints, it is not feasible at present for NAA to take over Surat airport.

Foreign equity participation in civil aviation

1357. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering any foreign equity participation in the field of Civil Aviation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof with the number of proposals being considered and the present stage of such proposals ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) No specific proposal is at present under consideration of the Government.

Airport charges in respect of domestic flights

1358. DR. SANJAY SINGH : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 492 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th February, 1994 and state :

(a) what are the details of the navigational charges being charged by the NAA and the IAAI prior to the hike and after the hike; and

(b) what is total revenue expected to be generated as result of the above hikes ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) A statement giving airport charges levied prior to the recen t revision a nd after revision by National Airports Authority and International Airports Authority of India is annexed (*See* below).

(b) The NAA is expected to generate revenue to the extent of Rs. 77.20 crores and IAAI Rs. 20 crores per annum as a result of revision of charges.

Statement

Airport Charges of NAA before w.e.f. 1-2-1994

International Airports of

Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Trivendrum

TERMINAL NAVIGATION LANDING CHARGES :

(Fig. in rupees)

(For each landing of Domestic/International flights) Weight of Aircraft	Before 1-2-94	W.e.f. 1-2-94
Below 10,000 kg.	420	620
10,000 kgs. and above	2,540	3,735

Route navigation facility charges :

Weight of Aircraft	(For each overflying/landing of Domestic/International flights) Before 1-2-94	w.e.f. 1-2-94
Upto 2000 kgs.	110	162
2001 to 5000 kgs.	210	310
5001 to 10000 kgs.	530	780
10001 to 15000 kgs.	850	1,250
15001 to 30000 kgs.	1,900	2,795
30001 to 60000 kgs.	3,350	4,985
60001 to 100000 kgs.	6,660	9,790
100001 to 165000 kgs.	8,250	12,130
Over 165000 kgs.	11,840	17,405